

FIRST READERS IN HOUSE
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2019
SIXTEENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

[HB 304.](#)

By Representatives Rhodes of the 120th and Williams of the 145th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the Magistrate Court of Putnam County, approved March 12, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 3788), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 12, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p. 4159), so as to revise the number, manner of selection, and compensation of the judges of the magistrate court; to authorize up to two other part-time magistrates; to provide for conditions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 305.](#)

By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of Sylvania to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 306.](#)

By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Screven County Industrial Development Authority, approved March 20, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 2322), which authority was created pursuant to an amendment to the Constitution as contained in Ga. L. 1962, p. 1079, so as to revise the projects that the authority may undertake; to provide the authority with the power to issue notes; to clarify the powers of the authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 307.](#)

By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Ridley of the 6th, Corbett of the 174th, and Harrell of the 106th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 10 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to magistrate courts, so as to provide for jurisdiction of such courts; to provide for filing certain documents electronically; to amend Chapter 11 of Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to abandoned motor vehicles, so as to repeal Article 1, relating to abandoned and derelict vehicles, and to enact a new Article 1; to amend Article 5 of Chapter 12 of Title 44 of the O.C.G.A., relating to disposition of unclaimed property, so as to provide for proceeds from the sale of an abandoned motor vehicle after satisfaction of a lien to be deposited with the commissioner of revenue; to provide for publication of "Georgia Unclaimed Property List"; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on MOTOR VEHICLES

[HB 308.](#)

By Representatives Ridley of the 6th, Powell of the 32nd, and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to inspection of public records, so as to provide that no agency shall enter into any agreement, contract, or understanding with any private entity which would allow such private entity to exclusively hold public records which are subject to disclosure; to provide that any agency which enters into any agreement, contract, or understanding with any private entity that may generate public records which would be subject to disclosure as a result of such agreement, contract, or understanding shall ensure that such public records shall not be held exclusively, regardless of limitations, by such private entity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[HB 309.](#)

By Representatives Kennard of the 102nd, Dreyer of the 59th, Kendrick of the 93rd, Frye of the 118th, and McLeod of the 105th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 35-3-37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to review of individual's criminal history record information, definitions, privacy considerations, written application requesting review, and inspection, so as to define "law enforcement officer"; to provide for the restriction of criminal history records for convictions of certain misdemeanors and felonies after the completion of the sentence and payment of any restitution; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[HB 310.](#)

By Representative Morris of the 156th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-24-59.10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance coverage for autism, so as to move the annual due date that the Department of Insurance must submit an autism coverage report to the General Assembly from January 15 to June 15; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INSURANCE

[HB 311.](#)

By Representatives Welch of the 110th, Powell of the 171st, Efstration of the 104th, McLaurin of the 51st, and Oliver of the 82nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 21 of Title 50, Title 36, Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 23, and Code Section 5-6-34 of the O.C.G.A., relating to waiver of sovereign immunity as to actions ex contractu and state tort claims, provisions applicable to counties, municipal corporations, and other governmental entities, conventional quia timet, and judgments and rulings deemed directly appealable, procedure for review of judgments, orders, or decisions not subject to direct appeal, scope of review, hearings in criminal cases involving a capital offense for which death penalty is sought, and appeals involving nonmonetary judgments in child custody cases; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[HB 312.](#)

By Representatives Morris of the 26th, Belton of the 112th, Clark of the 98th, Hitchens of the 161st, Prince of the 127th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-5C-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alternative ad valorem tax on motor vehicles, so as to provide discounts on state and local title ad valorem tax fees charged on vehicles owned by disabled service members or surviving spouses of service members returning to Georgia; to provide definitions; to provide qualifications and limitations to the discounts; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on WAYS & MEANS

[HB 313.](#)

By Representatives Frye of the 118th, Knight of the 130th, Smyre of the 135th, Martin of the 49th, Pruett of the 149th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, so as to exempt all real property owned by certain purely public charities if such real property is held exclusively for the purpose of building or repairing single-family homes to be financed to individuals using no-interest loans; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates, applicability, and automatic repeal; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on WAYS & MEANS

[HB 314.](#)

By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Hawkins of the 27th, Morris of the 26th, Barr of the 103rd, Tanner of the 9th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 52 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to registration, operation, and sale of watercraft, so as to provide for the titling of certain vessels; to provide for procedures with regard to titling such vessels; to provide for legislative intent and findings; to provide a short title; to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding sales and use taxes, so as to provide for a cap on the sales and use tax on the purchase or lease of a vessel; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on WAYS & MEANS

[HB 315.](#)

By Representatives Newton of the 123rd, Rynders of the 152nd, Burns of the 159th, Jones of the 47th, and Hatchett of the 150th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 80 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties, municipal corporations, and other governmental entities, so as to provide for certain agreements from consultants who enter into contracts or arrangements with counties, municipalities, and other local governmental entities to prepare or develop specifications or requirements for bids, requests for proposals, procurement orders, or purchasing orders; to provide a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[HB 316.](#)

By Representatives Fleming of the 121st, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th, Rynders of the 152nd, Watson of the 172nd, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., relating to primaries and elections generally, so as to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[HB 317.](#)

By Representatives Hill of the 3rd, Dempsey of the 13th, Momtahan of the 17th, Kelley of the 16th, Tanner of the 9th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-17-8.2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to requirement for orderly, clean, and sanitary receptacles, notice, and penalty for violations, so as to transfer jurisdiction of a petition filed regarding the removal of collection receptacles from the superior court to the city or municipal court; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[HB 318.](#)

By Representatives Bruce of the 61st, Collins of the 68th, and Alexander of the 66th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the Juvenile Code, so as to create a treatment program within the juvenile court relating to the prevention and treatment of substance abuse; to provide for a definition; to include such program within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court; to provide for a privilege against self-incrimination for participation in such program; to provide for an order requiring participation in such program; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUVENILE JUSTICE

[HB 319.](#)

By Representatives Williams of the 148th, Hogan of the 179th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Belton of the 112th, Gravley of the 67th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 6 of Chapter 7 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to retirement, retirement allowances, disability benefits, and death benefits relative to the Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund, so as to provide that a member's benefits payable after death shall be paid to his or her estate when such member failed to designate a beneficiary or his or her designated beneficiaries are deceased; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on RETIREMENT

[HB 320.](#)

By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Blackmon of the 146th, Greene of the 151st, Wilkerson of the 38th, Buckner of the 137th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to retirement allowances, disability benefits, and spouses' benefits, so as to permit certain public employers to employ beneficiaries of the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia in certain capacities and under limited conditions; to require such employers to make employer and employee contributions on behalf of such employed beneficiaries; to provide for conditions and limitations for

beneficiaries who return to service full time as teachers; to provide for related matters; to provide conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on RETIREMENT

[HB 321.](#)

By Representatives Lott of the 122nd, Reeves of the 34th, Rogers of the 10th, Powell of the 171st, and LaRiccia of the 169th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 6C of Chapter 8 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the hospital Medicaid financing program, so as to extend the sunset provision; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS

[HB 322.](#)

By Representatives McCall of the 33rd, Powell of the 32nd, Fleming of the 121st, Gravley of the 67th, and Trammell of the 132nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local government, so as to change provisions relating to the advertisement of certain bid or proposal opportunities; to change notice provisions relating to public works construction contracts; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[HB 323.](#)

By Representatives Knight of the 130th, Cooper of the 43rd, Hawkins of the 27th, Powell of the 32nd, Hatchett of the 150th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 64 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation and licensure of pharmacy benefits managers, so as to add a definition; to revise provisions relating to administration of claims by pharmacy benefit managers; to revise provisions relating to prohibited activities of pharmacy benefits managers; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INSURANCE

[HB 324.](#)

By Representatives Gravley of the 67th, Newton of the 123rd, Powell of the 32nd, Smyre of the 135th, Clark of the 98th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to offenses against public health and morals, so as to provide for the production, manufacturing, and dispensing of low THC oil in this state; to provide for an exception to possession of certain quantities of low THC oil; to amend Chapter 11 of Title 2 of the O.C.G.A., relating to seeds and plants generally, so as to provide for an exception; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on REGULATED INDUSTRIES

[HR 228.](#)

By Representatives Glanton of the 75th, Trammell of the 132nd, Beverly of the 143rd, Smyre of the 135th, Bennett of the 94th, and others:

A RESOLUTION urging the President of the United States and the United States Congress to enact legislation securing the citizenship of internationally adopted adult individuals; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[HR 229.](#)

By Representatives Schofield of the 60th, Cannon of the 58th, Beasley-Teague of the 65th, and Dreyer of the 59th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of the Honorable Grace Wilkerson Davis and dedicating a bridge in her memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION